

Club Managers Who Formerly Opposed Golf as a Pastime for Ball Players Now Admit Error

TWIST OF THE WRIST PECULIAR TO GOLFERS AID TO BALL PLAYERS

"Rabbit" Maranville Shining Example of Value of Linksman's "Snap" and Follow Through—Connie Mack and Fred Clarke Partial to Golf Swing

IT WASN'T so long ago that most managers of big league ball clubs looked askance at every one of their minions who dallied with a golf stick in off-hours. They seemed to think that playing golf was a detriment to the baseball ability of their hirelings.

Within recent seasons that feeling has evaporated. Most of the skipperes are links bugs themselves, and you have to pretty nearly curycumb a ball club in these days to find a player that doesn't shoot golf.

This isn't only because they like the game, either. They believe that playing golf really aids a ball player in his hitting. That "snap" with the wrists, so essential in getting distance from the tee, helps just as much in driving a baseball.

Speaking of "wrist hitters," one of the classic examples in baseball comes instantly to mind. Old "Wildfire" Schulte, who was the "Babe" Ruth of his day and generation, had a wonderful wrist movement. Schulte was not a big man, but he got enormous distance to his swats.

Fred Clarke, former Pittsburgh pilot, accompanied the Pirates on their training trip this spring, and he harped and sang continually on the value of golf for ball players.

"If I could make you fellows remember your golf swing when you're at bat you'd be the best collection of hitters in baseball," he said. "There is no bunk in that. It's an absolute fact."

"Rabbit" Maranville was Clarke's most assiduous disciple. He practiced continually on the wrist snap and follow through, and this season he has hit more doubles and triples than in any single season of his career. The "Rabbit" gives the credit for this to golf.

As a matter of fact, the entire Pittsburgh squad is golf-crazy. There is hardly one who isn't to be seen on the S. Lenox Park links when they are home, and Charley Grimm, the fleet and agile first baseman, carries his sticks wherever he goes.

Grimm is the comedian of the Pirate craft. He comes of a German family, though he was brought up in the Kerry Patch district of St. Louis. His dad and uncle couldn't read the English papers until Charley went into the big league, and then they learned, so that they could follow his career. Not such promising timber for golf?

Local Ball Players Golfers

THOUGH the Pittsburghers are violently fond of the game, we have some rabid rooters right here in our midst. Connie Mack heads the list, and has appeared at almost every club in the district at various times. He holds no brief for those who say that golfing burns a batter, but rather inclines the other way.

Among his wage-slaves Jimmy Dykes, the thick-shouldered third baseman, rates high. Jim used to be a caddy, and is a powerful driver from the tee. If you notice him but you'll see that he has an excellent follow-through. Dykes hits a lot of long cracks, for which, in a great measure, that follow-through is responsible.

"Pop" Young also is an enthusiastic player of the brown and bonnie game. So is "Stu" Perkins, who left a trail of busted hundreds through the golf clubs of the South during the last training trip. So are a lot of other Athletic players.

Last year Glenn Myatt, the second-string catcher, who is now burning up the American Association with his terrific hitting, took up the game, and played several times a week at Cobbs Creek. Glenn lacked direction, because of his hook, but he certainly made that gutta-percha pill ride a mile.

You can go down the line of ball players—local and otherwise—and find a terrific preponderance of them addicted to golf. The great and only "Babe" Ruth finds a fascination in it second only to that of hitting home runs. The ponderous "Babe" is a mauling smasher of the little pill, as well as the baseball, and has often made drives closer to 300 yards.

Lanky Eppa Ritzey is a very fair golfer, and has played Stenton and other links around here in the early eighties. John Rowe, the Stenton pro, says that though "Rix" is a good golfer, he has too long a swing ever to achieve greatness at the game.

The Other Side of It

PROBABLY the best of the ball player golfers is Chief Bender, who has the versatility to make his great at anything. The Chief, as is well known, can take his stand with the topnotchers in trap shooting, golf and billiards, as well as rolling up a record on the pitching mound that has seldom been equalled.

BASEBALL, on the other mit, has a strong attraction for professional golfers. Walter Hazen, who is the last word in link skill, had as his boyhood ambition the desire to become a big league ball player. He did play in the little leagues for a while, and even went so far as to get a try-out with the Athletics, if that means anything.

"Ty Cobb was my idol then," said Walter, "and I thought some day I might achieve the greatness that he had gathered to himself. But Connie Mack looked me over for about five minutes, and then handed me the other ball of the return ticket that I had bought to my home town."

However, Walter is rated as the Ty Cobb of golf right now, so he hasn't anything to worry about.

Hazen's idol—the Georgia Peach—might be noted in passing, is one of the few managers who does not believe that golf does a ball player any good during the strenuous days of a campaign.

Little Gene Sarazen, the national open champion, is the reverse of Hazen in his love for and knowledge of baseball. Gene knows as much about the game as Charley Grimm's father and uncle did.

They came down to see Charley in his big league debut, you know. The stand began to fill up considerably as Umpire Hank O'Day came out on the diamond and took up his stand behind the plate.

"There's a good place to watch the game," said old man Grimm, "down where dot follow in blue is standing. Let us go down dere, and stand mitt him."

SARAZEN has seen some ball games, but his knowledge of the national pastime is sadly lacking.

The Man Behind Cricket Club Tournays

THE Philadelphia Cricket Club is fortunate in having a man with the executive ability of Walter R. Kurtz.

The "Colonel" has been in charge of almost every tennis and golf event held by the club this year. What is more, everything staged under his direction was run off smoothly, and in a highly efficient manner.

The last big tennis event held at St. Martin's was for the club championship. The "Colonel" was in charge and the tournament was one of the best ever held. Also, it was the most inexpensive of its kind in the history of the club. Recently an invitation golf tournament for the St. Martin's Cup was played, and this, too, was a big success. And the "Colonel" again was the man in charge.

At first Mr. Kurtz had nothing to do with the golf tourney. At the last minute, however, he was asked to take the helm, and consented. All of which shows that he thinks of his job as a job.

Two weeks ago the Pennsylvania State Junior and boys' tennis championships were held at the Cynwyd Club. Dr. Philip B. Hawk and Marshall Vanaman were directing the affair. "Colonel" Kurtz, always interested in the younger folks, journeyed out to the suburban town to witness the matches.

He had no sooner arrived than he was asked if he had any suggestions to make for the betterment of the tournament. This shows that his fame as an executive has traveled to the other clubs in Philadelphia and vicinity.

Commenting September 11 the Middle states women's singles and the girls' national singles and doubles championships will be held at the Cricket Club. These are two of the biggest tennis events to be held in the East during the current season, and a big man will be needed to direct them.

Boots and Saddle

The Alabama stakes, for three-year-olds, to be decided today at a mile and a fourth, at Saratoga, should be an easy victory for Starfle if that Kentucky filly shows anything of her last year's form, or even is up to one of her races of the early spring. She ran fourth in the Derby and has good performances since, but her showing in the Miller Stakes was dull. Emotion, Frudney and Pretzel are other good ones in the Alabama.

Horses which seem best are: First race, Hughie, Noon, Glide, Wilkes; second, Billwater, Steep, Seal; third, Royal Arch, Wisent Foot, Seal; fourth, the Burnt Hill High-Handicap, Handicap, United Verde.

PORTO RICO STAR ONLY TIOPA PRO

Jim Devlin, Ex-Whitemarsh Caddy, Holds Reins at Concaldo Vanderbilt

PROBLEM OF THE GALLERY

During these balmy summer days the Stenton Club has a temporary new assistant. He is a long-legged, free swinging son of swat named Jim Devlin. In winter days Jim has the distinction of being the only resident professional in Porto Rico. The Concaldo Vanderbilt brought him all the way from Philadelphia to take charge of their nine-hole course. But when spring wings its limpid way over the horizon tourists soon visit Porto Rico.

Portians are the folks that enable the Vanderbilt Hotel and its golf course to exist, so when they cease to flood in the place is locked up, and Jimmy Devlin comes home for a vacation. Vacation may seem like something of a misnomer, for Jim can't keep away from golf long enough to take one. Being an old friend of John Rowe's, Devlin went up to Stenton to help him out, and incidentally keep his hitting eye in trim.

Next month he will return to Porto Rico to prepare for a busy season in the winter. Tournaments for the hotel guests are held very often down there, and Jim is master of ceremonies. Besides, he is doing the biggest part of his time in teaching.

TIOPA'S Only Professional

Devlin is the only golf professional born and bred in the Tioga district. He began his career as a caddy at Whitmarsh under the regime of the famous Jim Barnes. He worked his way to assistant professional at the club, until the well-known in grandie guette came along and gobbled up the works.

Jim holds the distinction of being the only golf pro born in Tioga. He also has another, that of being the first pro to enlist for the duration of the war. His terms of service were principally with the 10th Field Artillery.

Some time after returning home one of the Whitmarsh members who is interested in golf, Vanderbilt recommended Devlin for the position of professional at the Concaldo Vanderbilt. Jim spent last winter down there and did so well that they are keenly anxious to have him return.

As a tournament player Devlin has not yet risen to the heights of which he is capable. He is a remarkably straight hitter. In the opinion of the club, his short game needs a bit more polish, but it is still good enough to keep him up with the star players.

The winter of '21-22 he has kept Devlin from finishing within the money in some tournaments in which he has appeared. His last nine holes of a round is done almost invariably in 29 or 30. But the first nine are not so speedy.

When Devlin picks up his short game he will be the fastest in the district to beat, for his remarkable direction and sense of touch in putting are outstanding features of his game.

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THE DARKEST DAY IN HISTORY

THE DAY YOU PLAYED IN THE MIDDLE GARDEN FOR THE GIRARD AVENUE GIANTS AGAINST THE LEHIGH LEATHER LEGS AND WHILE YOUR GANG WAS WALLOWING THE STUFFIN OUT OF THEM, YOU WUZ MAKING A LOT OF HAIR RAISING TRIS SPEAKER STASS.

AND NOT ONLY COVERING ACRES OF GROUND, BUT YOURSELF WITH GLORY, WHILE STOPPING HOME RUNS AND THREE BAGGERS AND CUTTING 'EM OFF AT THE PLATE—AND EVERY THING



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WAGNER, THE KID, AFTER DUNDEE GO

Local Lad, Gritty and Confident, Lengthens Nom de Glove With Addition of "Eddie"

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Has Enough Players

All-Star White Team Should Need No Help in Saturday's Clash

Art Summers certainly has enough players lined up to him by the various managers for the all-star game to be played between the white and colored teams of the Philadelphia Baseball Association at North Philadelphia Park at 6:15 P. M. on Saturday.

Twenty-three men have been furnished by the various teams. They include: Pitcher, short, second base, third base, catcher, first base, outfield, infield, pitcher, short, second base, third base, catcher, first base, outfield, infield, pitcher, short, second base, third base, catcher, first base, outfield, infield.

Ty Cobb and Sisler in Batting Deadlock

Ty Cobb and George Sisler are virtually tied in their race for batting honors in the American League. The Georgia peach, traveling at a 300 clip, yesterday secured out two hits in four times at bat, while Sisler connected safely only once in five times up, at the rate of .200.

Cobb has a slight morale edge over Sisler, who led by three points before yesterday's game. In order to determine the leader it was necessary to carry the detail down to the usual three figures, making Cobb's mark .4050 and Sisler's .4020.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

G. A. B. H. H. P. C.	G. A. B. H. H. P. C.		
Cobb, Detroit	.4050	Sisler, St. Paul	.4020
Swain, St. L.	.3911	Wright, Cleveland	.3877
Holloman, Det.	.3834	Shanley, N. Y.	.3811

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Hovey, St. Louis	.3911	Wright, Cleveland	.3877
Holloman, Det.	.3834	Shanley, N. Y.	.3811

WINNIE LOPEZ TO BOX

Mexican Will Substitute Against Soldier Katsarsky

Owing to an injured eye Tommy Devlin was forced to call off his bout with Soldier Katsarsky at the Logan A. tonight and Vincent Lopez, Mexican welterweight, has been substituted by Adam Ryan.

Katsarsky and Lopez will meet in a scheduled eight rounder and it will be the final of a five-bout program. Both men, each a former American soldier, are rugged battlers and they are hard hitters.

LANDIS RIDICULES RUMOR

Says Report Pirates Will Win Pen-ant Absurd

Detroit, Aug. 10.—The latest in baseball scandal tips was declared "absurd" here by Kenesaw M. Landis, Baseball Commissioner.

"I wouldn't talk seriously about it," the commissioner said, when his attention was called to the rumor from New York that Pittsburgh was due, through an alleged agreement, to win fifteen straight games and the pennant.

INVITE ENVOY FROM SPAIN TO DAVIS CUP

Ambassador Juan de Riano May Be Present at Final Round Here Next Week

RECEPTION FOR PLAYERS

Juan de Riano, the Spanish Ambassador, has been invited to attend the final round of the Davis Cup tournament, which will be played on the courts of the Germantown Cricket Club on August 17, 18 and 19, according to an announcement made by the Tennis Committee of the club yesterday. Dwight P. Davis, the donor of the historic cup, who will referee the matches, will present the invitation officially.

The Spanish team will oppose the winner of the Australia-France match, which will start on the courts of the Longwood Cricket Club, Boston, today. The Spaniards are expected to land in New York tomorrow morning. They are aboard the Mauretania, which sailed from Liverpool last Saturday. The team is composed of Manuel Alonso, his brother, Jose Alonso, and Count de Gomara.

A reception is planned for the foreigners, who are making their first visit to this country. The team will be met in New York by Jose Canprubi, of La Javana, the Spanish newspaper, and officials of the United States Lawn Tennis Association. A luncheon is planned for the players at the Harvard Club.

It was first intended to give the Spaniards a banquet upon their arrival in New York, but this has been postponed until after the final round. The players are anxious to get to this city so that they can practice on the Germantown courts. It is believed that they will come direct to this city tomorrow afternoon.

West Virginia Bans Wrestling

Morantown, W. Va., Aug. 10.—Innocent wrestling has been eliminated from the curriculum of the State Board of Education by order of the State Board of Education. The board of education was informed that it was illegal to teach wrestling because it was thought that the sport was beneath the dignity of the institution.

How Does It Strike You?

Gooch's Game Scott's Return A Girl Jockey

WHEN Barney Dreyfuss plucked John Gooch from the Birmingham Club he picked a sparkling jewel. In his first year as a regular catcher, the youthful Pirate has reached lofty standards.

Gooch is only twenty-two years old, the youngest catcher in the National League, and one of the best.

The service that Gooch has rendered Pittsburgh this year is glittering. He has caught more games than any other backstop in the League, and he is hitting at the princely pace of .325.

Last year Gooch was an experiment and was handled as such. He appeared in only a few games and looked the part of a busher. He hit only .237. The chance came this season, and he grasped it with a full neuron and scissars hold.

Walter Schmidt was a holdout this season and in the emergency Gooch was called on to handle virtually all the ball games. In addition there were a number of new hurlers on the Pirate staff. Gooch not only caught and hit well, but he carried these youthful flingers along like one gray with experience.

The Pirate maskman has been in eighty-eight games this campaign, and ranks third in point of 1922 service to all the catchers in the big leagues. Ray Schalk and Ralph Perkins are the only backstops who have been in more games.

Butch Heinline is another young catching "find" this year, but the sore-topped Phil is twenty-four years old and has been in fourteen fewer games than Gooch.

Youth and inexperience have been no handicap to Gooch. He has the natural ability and the spirit of a fighter. Nothing else is necessary.

THE appointment of Vincent Richards on the American Davis Cup team has met with popular approval. A player of the caliber of the New York youth could scarcely be kept off the team for another year.

Scott Making Good for McGraw

JOHN McGRAW apparently has put one over on Pat Moran in the case of John Scott, who was released by the Reds in the early part of the season. Scott went to Cincinnati in the trade that sent Marquard and Kopt to Boston. When the big Brave reported to Moran it was discovered that he had a sore arm.

Garry Herrmann raved and roared to Judge Landis, claiming George Washington Grant had "put something over on him." He attempted to have the deal nullified, but the Commissioner made his stand behind the Bostonian.

Herrmann took his loss and would have nothing of Scott. Moran agreed with him and the pitcher was released.

Scott was convinced that he was not through with baseball. He carefully nursed his sore while he convinced McGraw that he was ready for a comeback. Last week, he beat the Cubs for the Giants, and was rewarded with a New York contract.

Two years ago Scott won twenty-one games and lost ten for the Braves, and last season scored ten victories and dropped twenty-one games.

If Scott really is in condition, he will be a valuable man to the Giants in their dash down the stretch. And he cost McGraw the price of the ink with which he signed his contract.

French Actress a Jockey

THOUGH Paris is willing to stand extremes in dress in their ladies, they are apparently not yet attuned to the idea of women putting their powdered noses into sport.

Tennis? Ah, out. Golf? Certainly! But nothing more strenuous. That would be inadmissible.

But Fanny Hedy, a popular actress, has applied for a license as a jockey. She wants to participate in the Deauville Grand Semaine, wearing a gray top and an orange jacket . . . probably more for those reasons than for the purpose of winning.

The Jockey Club immediately refused the license, and were overwhelmed with a barrage of choice Parisienne expletives. Fanny said that she wanted to ride, and she would ride in spite of all.

Then a loop was discovered in the regulations, and it was found that the law permits her to ride without a license.

So, though the Jockey Club may rave and white-spatted rotund boulevardiers may raise their hands in holy horror at the sacrilege, Fanny Hedy may be seen astride a running horse in this classic.

Her professional friends applauded, and an instant demand for tickets to the Grand Semaine loomed up. They all want to see the glorious Fanny doing what none of her sex has ever done before.

THOUGH the crowds come, Mademoiselle Hedy will never rival Suavanna in popular favor. They understand that it is advertising and not a love of sport that actuates her.

MISS BATSON MAY RACE

American Captain Likely to Compete in International Games

Paris, Aug. 10.—Elova Batson, captain of the American girl athletes, here for the international games beginning August 20, may be able to participate in the meet, despite the injury she suffered yesterday in taking the hurdles at the Colombes Stadium.

The members of the team were considerably encouraged today by the doctors' report that no bones were broken. Miss Batson will remain at her hotel for several days, keeping all weight from the injured ankle.

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Chicago to Have Racing

Chicago, Aug. 10.—Joseph A. Murphy, of Chicago, has announced that he has secured a license for a horse racing track here. The track will be located on the old National Guard track here from September 30 to October 1. The license is for a period of one year, and the track will be operated by Murphy and his partners.

Cards Sent Two to Syracuse

St. Louis, Aug. 10.—Pitcher John Stuart and Eddie Laver, infielder, have been released on option by the St. Louis Nationals to the Syracuse Stars of the International League. It was announced today.